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1. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING SEENA HAMILTON THAT M'JID, DUE TO EXTENSIVE TRAVEL COMMITMENTS, COULD NOT BE REACHED WITH HER REQUEST THAT MOROCCAN TOURNAMENT DATES BE CHANGED. OTHER MOROCCAN TENNIS OFFICIALS WHOM PAO HAS CONTACTED, HOWEVER, CONFIRM THAT MARCH 20-26 DATES ARE NOW FIRMLY FIXED AND CANNOT BE CHANGED. MOROCCAN TENNIS FEDERATION HAS WRITTEN HAMILTON TO THIS EFFECT.

2. FYI: WE TOO ARE NOT ESPECIALLY CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE CONFLICT IN SCHEDULES. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT U.S. TENNIS PROMOTERS ARE VERY WELL REGARDED BY MOROCCAN TENNIS COMMUNITY HERE - WHICH CONTAINS LARGE NUMBER OF CONTACTS PROMINENT IN AREAS OF DIRECT CONCERN TO MISSION OBJECTIVES - AND THAT PREVIOUS U.S. TENNIS ACTIVITY IN THIS COUNTRY CONTINUES TO PAY EXCELLENT PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIVIDENDS. ONE EXAMPLE IS RECENT CONFIRMATION THAT A PROMISING YOUNG WOMAN TENNIS PLAYER WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN U.S. CLINICS AND TRAVEL UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF LOS ANGELES-BASED COUPLE WHO WERE PART OF PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE GROUP VISITING MOROCCO IN NOVEMBER. ANOTHER EXAMPLE IS
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FEBRUARY ISSUE OF MONTHLY TENNIS ET GOLF DU MAROC, SLICK-COVER SPORTS MAGAZINE CIRCULATED TO MANY OF MISSION'S KEY CONTACTS AND WHICH CONTAINS COLOR-PHOTO COVERAGE OF HAMILTON'S "PRO-CELEBRITY" TEAM MEETING WITH MOROCCANS.

3. IF HAMILTON AND HER ASSOCIATES CAN SCHEDULE A RETURN TRIP HERE, WE WILL BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE FACILITATIVE

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